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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Ad Hoc Working Group on Berlin (4th Meeting)

The ad hoc working group on Berlin met in Room 6161 at 1000 on Tuesday, 25 November 1958. Among those present were the following:

Mr. Foy Kohler, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs  
Mr. Martin Hillenbrand, Director, Office of German Affairs  
Mr. Edward L. Friers, Director, Office of Eastern European Affairs  
Mr. Alfred Vigderman, Deputy Director, Office of German Affairs  
Mr. Richard Service, OIC, USSR Affairs  
Col E. M. Harris, OSD/ISA  
RADM. F. O'Bairne, Director, J-3, Joint Staff  
Col. J. W. Totten, J-3 Div, Joint Staff  
Col. John Damon, J-3 Div, Joint Staff

The working group reviewed the papers which had been passed out for preliminary consideration at the previous meeting. These papers included two prepared in the Joint Staff, one on the implications of

With respect to making a declaration to the USSR as to U.S. intentions to remain in Berlin to which the French and British did not agree, the French Foreign Minister does not agree in the note going to the FRG, and accordingly pressure is being brought to bear on them at the highest levels.

It was again necessary for the JCS representative to point out that any references to

The theory mentioned by Deputy Secretary of Defense Quarles to Assistant Secretary Irvin was also discussed. This had to do with

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the concept of the [

] The legal staff was asked to prepare an additional paper on this and the Joint Staff to prepare the military implications.

Discussion also centered on the point at which the Allies should [

] The meeting adjourned at 1230 hours.

(SIGNED)

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